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1. It is reported that General Novak, commander of the Third Military Region (Brno) and General Sirica, commander of the Fourth Military Region (Bratislava), will soon be relieved of their posts. A special office has been established in the General Staff of the Czech army to coordinate the organization, training and political education of the armed forces. The Soviet liaison officer attached to the General Staff is to be the supervisor of this office.
2. A battalion of 624 parachute troops is attached to each Army Corps. There is a total of six battalions of paratroops attached to the army and two companies of paratroops attached to the SNE.
3. Two huge training camps are under construction in the area of Ceska Budejovice, of which one is southeast of Hluboka (049/R05).
4. A self-contained Soviet armored and infantry division has been stationed since January 1950 on the heights of the Carpathian Mountains in Czechoslovakia.
5. Two-thirds of the production of the Stalin factories for synthetic gasoline in Most (Brux - N51/F13) is used domestically. By 1952 production is expected to be increased to the point that synthetic gasoline will be supplied to the satellite countries. At the present time, Czechoslovakia is receiving natural aviation gasoline from Poland, the USSR and Rumania.
6. There is reported to be under study a three year plan for the extension of the railroad network connecting with the East. A direct line between Plzen and Brno, which would be of major strategic importance, is under consideration.

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